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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. PAUL BOREL, ADCI/CENTRAL REFERENCE, CIA Chairman, USIB Committee on Documentation (CODIB)

SUBJECT: CODIB-D-36, 28 May 1959: "Revision of the Intelligence

Subject Code"

1. It is recommended that the final draft of the revised Intelligence Subject Code, attached to the subject memorandum, be accepted by the Committee on Documentation as the basis for adding the notation system and code designations to the hierarchical classification listed in the draft.

2. Provisional adoption of the ISC may be desirable for the reasons stated in the subject paper in addition to the need of testing and modifying the ISC against actual usage needs. It is not advisable, however, to designate this in the title of the ISC since this easily may lead to an aversion by USIB members to adopt the code for practical implementation. Rather, the provisional nature of the code might be stated in the introductory explanations of the code on the understanding that the new code systems being developed will themselves take several years to refine. Until a realistic evaluation of the effectiveness of a hierarchical code (the ISC) as compared with other code systems can be made, the ISC should remain the officially accepted USIB subject code.

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